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SUBJECT: AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION

1. AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH, HEADQUARTERS IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, ATTEMPTING TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM IN SENEGLAL WHICH WOULD INCLUDE ESTABLISHMENT OF AUTONOMOUS SENECALESE CHURCHES OF THEIR DENOMINATION, AS WELL AS AN AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY PROJECT, ALREADY OPERATING IN NORTHERN SENEGLAL. SIGURD N. LARSEN, FLORENCE M. LARSEN, AND ROGER STEINKAMP, ARE ONLY AMERICANS ANTICIPATED IN MISSION, AND HAVE ALREADY BEEN GIVEN PERMANENT VISAS, IDENTITY CARDS, AND DUTY-FREE PRIVILEGES ON CERTAIN SUPPLIES BY GOS.

2. REV. LARSEN HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT GOS RELUCTANT TO GIVE HIS CHURCH A PERMIT TO DO RELIGIOUS WORK (CERTIFICAT DE TRAVAIL RELIGIEUX) WITHOUT FORMAL COMMUNICATION FROM EMBASSY TO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. UNLESS DEPARTMENT OBJECTS, AMBASSADOR PROPOSED TO SEND FOREIGN MINISTER LETTER TO INCLUDE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS:

QUOTE: AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH IS AMERICAN PROTESTANT DENOMINATION WITH HEADQUARTERS AT 422 SOUTH FIFTH STREET, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55415. A MEMBER OF THE WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, IT CARRIES OUT ITS RELIGIOUS MISSION PROGRAMS
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THROUGH ITS DIVISION FOR WORLD MISSIONS AND INTER-CHURCH COOPERATION. FOUNDED IN 1960, THE AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH IS CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN FOOD PRODUCTION AND AGRICULTURAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN CAMEROON, ETHIOPIA, MALAGASY, AND NIGERIA. UNQUOTE.

3. PLEASE ADVISE.

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